

related to the sites and proceeds from the sale of property at the Imperial Site. Additionally, Champion and Imperial will jointly pay the sum of \$75,000 as a civil penalty for violations of EPA's unilateral administrative orders for the Imperial Site. In return, the United States and the State will provide to Champion and Imperial covenants not to sue as to (a) past response costs incurred in connection with the Imperial Site and (b) past and future response costs incurred in connection with the Burnt Fly Bog Site.

Under the proposed consent decree between the United States, Emil Stevens and June Stevens, the settling defendants agree to pay to the United States \$300,000 toward the Imperial Site and \$100,000 toward the Burnt Fly Bog Site in reimbursement of response costs incurred in connection with the two sites. These amounts will be deposited into site special accounts for the Imperial Site and the Burnt Fly Bog Site to fund future response actions. The settling defendants also agree to limit their future involvement with, and income, from Champion and Imperial. In return, the United States will provide to Emil and June Stevens covenants not to sue as to past and future response costs incurred in connection with the Imperial Site and the Burnt Fly Bog Site.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, written comments relating to the proposed consent decrees. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General for the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Champion Chemical Company, Inc., et al.*, DOJ # 90-11-2-946. The proposed consent decrees may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, District of New Jersey, 402 East State Street, Room 502, Trenton, New Jersey 08608; and at the Region II Office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10278. Copies of the Consent Decree may be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, United States Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. In requesting a copy of the consent decree between the United States, Champion, Imperial, and the State of New Jersey, please enclose a check in the amount of \$15.25 (25 cents per page reproduction costs) payable to the Consent Decree Library. In requesting a copy of the consent decree between the United States, Emil Stevens, and June Stevens, please

enclose a check in the amount of \$11.00 (25 cents per page reproduction costs) payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Bruce Gelber,

Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section,
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree for Payment of Civil Penalty for Violations of the Clean Air Act

Under 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that on December 4, 2000, a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Columbus McKinnon Corporation*, Civil Action No. C00-3096MWB, was lodged with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Iowa.

In this action, the United State seeks civil penalties for Columbus McKinnon Corporation's ("Columbus") violations of Section 112 of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7412, and of the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Chromium Emissions from Hard and Decorative Chromium Electroplating and Chromium Anodizing Tanks, codified at 40 CFR part 63, subpart N. The allegations occurred at a facility located in Laurens, Iowa, which is owned by Columbus McKinnon Corporation, and concern the failure to comply with the Chromium emission limitations, untimely submission of initial notification, and conducting an untimely performance test. Under the Consent Decree, Columbus will pay a civil penalty of \$60,000.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Columbus McKinnon Corporation*, DOJ #90-5-2-1-06754.

The Consent Decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, 401 1st St. SE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 52401; at EPA Region VII, 901 N. 5th Street, Kansas City, KS, 66101; or can be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC, 20044-7611. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check of \$5.25 (25 cents per page

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Stephen J. Rapp,

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Iowa.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decrees Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended

Notice is hereby given that on December 18, 2000, a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Hexagon Laboratories of New York, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 96 Civ. 2911 (DAB), was lodged with the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

In this action, the United States sought the recovery of response costs incurred by the United States with respect to the Hexagon laboratories Superfund Site (the "Site") in the Bronx, New York. The proposed consent decree resolves the United States' claims under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*, against defendant Louis P. Wiener relating to the Site. Under the terms of the proposed consent decree, Mr. Wiener will pay \$110,000, in installments, in satisfaction of the United States' claims.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Hexagon Laboratories of New York, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 96 Civ. 2911 (DAB), D.J. Ref. 90-11-3-1662.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the Office of the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, 100 Church Street, New York, New York 10007, and at U.S. EPA Region II, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007. A copy of the proposed consent decree may be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611. In requesting a copy, please enclose a

check in the amount of \$5.00 (25 cents per page reproduction cost).

Bruce Gelber,

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act and the Oil Pollution Act

In accordance with Departmental policy, 28 CFR 50.7, the Department of Justice gives notice that a proposed consent decree, in *United States v. Petroleum Specialties, Inc., et al.*, Civil No. 99-72421 (E.D. Mich.), was lodged with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan on December 7, 2000, pertaining to the Petroleum Specialties, Inc. Site (the "Site"), located in Flat Rock, Wayne County, Michigan. The proposed consent decree would resolve the United States' civil claims against Petroleum Specialties, Inc. ("PSI") and Marvin Fleischman (collectively, the "Settling Defendants"), under Sections 107(a) and 113(g) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9607(a) and 9613(g), and against PSI under Sections 1002, 1015 and 1017 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 ("OPA"), 33 U.S.C. §§ 2702, 2715 and 2717, in connection with the Site.

Under the proposed consent decree, PSI stipulates to entry of a judgment against itself in the amount of \$6 million for federal Response Costs and Removal Costs incurred at the Site. In addition, the proposed consent decree requires Marvin Fleischman to make payments totaling \$150,000 to the United States for federal Response Costs and Removal Costs incurred at the Site following entry of the proposed consent decree. The consent decree includes, *inter alia*, a covenant not to sue by the United States under Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9606 and 9607, and under Section 1002(b)(1) of OPA, 33 U.S.C. § 2702(b)(1), and provisions relating to Settling Defendants' receipt of insurance proceeds for the Site.

The Department of Justice will receive, for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication, comments relating to the proposed consent decree. Comments should be

addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, and should refer to *United States v. Petroleum Specialties, Inc., et al.*, Civil No. 99-72421 (E.D. Mich.), and DOJ Reference Nos. 90-11-2-1374 and 90-5-1-1-4530.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at: (1) The Office of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, Suite 2001, 211 West Fort Street, Detroit, Michigan 48226-3211 (313-226-9790); and (2) the United States Environmental Protection Agency (Region 5), 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590 (contact: Diana Embil (312-886-7889)). A copy of the proposed consent decree may be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, U.S. Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611. In requesting a copy, please refer to the referenced case and DOJ Reference Numbers and enclose a check in the amount of \$8.25 for the consent decree and one appendix (33 pages at 25 cents per page reproduction costs), made payable to the Consent Decree Library.

Bruce S. Gelber,

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Water Act and the Safe Drinking Water Act

In accordance with 28 CFR 50.7, 38 Fed. Reg. 19029, notice is hereby given that on December 8, 2000, a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority*, Civil Action No. 00-2554 (JAF), was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico. The complaint in this action alleged that the Puerto Rico Aqueduct & Sewer Authority ("PRASA") has been violating the Clean Water Act ("CWA"), 33 U.S.C. 1251, *et seq.*, by discharging wastewater from 23 of its drinking water treatment plants in excess of the effluent limitations in the applicable National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("NPDES") permits or without possessing such permits. The complaint also alleged that PRASA failed or is failing to provide filtration of the surface waters it uses to supply drinking water to 20 of its public water systems in violation of the Surface Water Treatment Rule ("SWTR"), 40 CFR

141.70, *et seq.*, and the Safe Drinking Water Act ("SDWA"), 42 U.S.C. 300f, *et seq.* The complaint sought injunctive relief and civil penalties.

The Consent Decree requires PRASA to pay a total cash penalty of \$550,000 to settle these violations of the CWA and the SDWA, as well as to implement two supplemental environmental projects ("SEPs"). The two SEPs involve the connection of two non-PRASA drinking water systems, which currently do not have filtered water, to one of PRASA's public water systems that receives filtered drinking water. The estimated cost of these two SEPs is \$490,600.

With regard to the PRASA drinking water treatment plants violating the CWA, the Consent Decree requires PRASA to achieve compliance in accordance with schedules for individual plants which vary from two to four years in duration. As to the PRASA public water systems that have not achieved compliance with the SWTR, the Consent Decree requires PRASA to remedy its noncompliance by constructing filtration facilities, connecting public water systems to other PRASA public water systems that have filtration plants, or installing groundwater well systems in lieu of the use of unfiltered surface water supplies. The completion dates in the SDWA compliance schedules for individual public water systems are in 2000-2002.

The Department of Justice will receive comments relating to the proposed consent decree for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044, and should refer to *United States v. Puerto Rico Aqueduct and Sewer Authority*, D.J. Ref. 90-5-1-1-06179, 90-5-1-1-06475.

The proposed consent decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, Federal Office Building, Rm. 101, Carlos E. Chardon Avenue, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico 00918 and at the Region II office of the Environmental Protection Agency, 290 Broadway, New York, New York 10007. A copy of the proposed consent decree may also be obtained by mail from the Department of Justice Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check (there is a 25 cent per page reproduction cost) in the amount of